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- 1. During the summer of 1951, work was completed on a row of trenches excavated in a semicircle with a one mile radius around Barutin (N4138 E2408), Devin okoliya. The trenches start on the western side of the village, circle to the north, and end east of Barutin.
- 2. On the western side of Barutin, the trenches start in the Ra Burdo Hill (N4136 E2410) region. Another section of the trenches is located in the region of Chukata Hill (N4137 E2411), above the Dospat highway, and a third section is located east of Barutin, on Karvavoto Hill (sic), where the trenches end.
- 3. The trenches are in a single row and are broken wherever there are trees and roads. They are 1.2 to 1.4 meters deep, 80 centimeters wide at the top, and 40 centimeters wide at the bottom. The sides of the trenches are covered with interwoven branches, and the trench in the Chukata Hill region is strengthened by a stone wall. Rifle and machine gun rests are located along these trenches.

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т,		of Dospat,	Zmeitsa, a	nd Kasuka	, in	the Devin	area.		

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